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## **BAA announces October 2003 traffic figures**

BAA's seven UK airports handled 11.8 million passengers in October 2003. With growth up 4% on the same period last year, this represents the strongest performance since before the Iraq war.

Nearly all major markets continued to improve, with North Atlantic recording its first monthly gain since February, up 1% in the month, whilst other long haul traffic continued its recovery, adding 4.6% in October. European scheduled and UK domestic traffic continued to perform strongly, increasing 8.6% and 5.4% respectively. The charter market fell 7.6%, reflecting the pressures facing this sector, as low cost services and independent travel become increasingly popular.

Among the individual airports, the month was Heathrow's strongest since January, up 2.6%, while solid increases in short haul scheduled traffic at Gatwick did not quite offset a 14% dip in charter traffic. Overall Gatwick traffic was 2.4% lower in the month. Stansted enjoyed another strong month up 17.9%, whilst Southampton continued to surge, adding 68.1%.

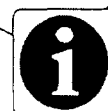
In Scotland, Edinburgh airport gained 7.8% and Glasgow 1.8%, whilst Aberdeen was impacted by the continued weakness in the oil industry, dropping 2.2%.

# **News release**

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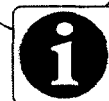
Air transport movements increased marginally, up 0.4% illustrating improved average passenger loads, whilst the month showed the first signs of improvements in the cargo industry, with loads down just 1.8% against the previous year.

For further information on BAA plc see [www.baa.com](http://www.baa.com)

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# BAA Traffic Summary : October 2003

<b>Terminal Passengers (000s)</b>	<b>% Month Change*</b>	<b>Fin year to date: Apr to Oct 03 Change**</b>	<b>% 12 months to Oct 03 Change***</b>
Heathrow	5,636.4 2.6	38,942.1 -0.4	62,817.2 1.6
Gatwick	2,605.2 -2.4	20,313.8 0.5	29,747.6 1.9
Stansted	1,765.3 17.9	11,957.6 13.8	18,193.3 18.4
<b>London Area Total</b>	<b>10,006.9 3.6</b>	<b>71,213.5 2.0</b>	<b>110,758.1 4.1</b>
Southampton	121.1 68.1	843.1 65.0	1,126.5 41.2
Glasgow	791.8 1.8	5,534.3 3.6	8,095.6 5.1
Edinburgh	680.0 7.8	4,724.8 7.9	7,416.9 9.6
Aberdeen	234.4 -2.2	1,585.1 -2.8	2,529.4 -1.4
<b>Scottish Total</b>	<b>1,706.2 3.5</b>	<b>11,844.2 4.4</b>	<b>18,041.9 5.9</b>
<b>BAA Total</b>	<b>11,834.2 4.0</b>	<b>83,900.8 2.7</b>	<b>129,926.5 4.6</b>

<b>Air Transport Movements</b>	<b>% Month Change*</b>	<b>Fin year to date: Apr to Oct 03 Change**</b>	<b>% 12 months to Oct 03 Change***</b>
Heathrow	39,745 -0.1	270,925 -1.8	456,148 -0.4
Gatwick	20,549 -3.9	149,031 -1.2	235,544 1.8
Stansted	15,335 8.0	104,600 8.6	170,177 14.6
<b>London Area Total</b>	<b>75,629 0.3</b>	<b>524,556 0.3</b>	<b>861,869 2.8</b>
Southampton	3,004 23.3	20,950 21.3	31,512 11.8
Glasgow	7,962 -1.0	55,946 0.1	88,774 0.0
Edinburgh	9,395 0.5	63,353 -1.0	105,578 0.6
Aberdeen	6,954 -5.2	47,605 -4.1	78,941 -5.2
<b>Scottish Total</b>	<b>24,311 -1.7</b>	<b>166,904 -1.6</b>	<b>273,293 -1.4</b>
<b>BAA Total</b>	<b>102,944 0.4</b>	<b>712,410 0.4</b>	<b>1,166,674 2.0</b>

<b>Cargo (Metric Tonnes)</b>	<b>% Month Change*</b>	<b>Fin year to date: Apr to Oct 03 Change**</b>	<b>% 12 months to Oct 03 Change***</b>
Heathrow	109,671 -2.1	700,595 -4.4	1,220,514 0.6
Gatwick	20,328 -11.1	129,213 -10.0	225,765 -7.1
Stansted	19,479 10.8	115,200 3.5	196,095 8.4
<b>London Area Total</b>	<b>149,478 -2.0</b>	<b>945,008 -4.3</b>	<b>1,642,374 0.3</b>
Southampton	25 -27.5	205 -13.3	349 -10.4
Glasgow	518 3.0	3,882 -10.4	4,975 -10.3
Edinburgh	2,409 6.3	15,183 10.9	24,532 23.8
Aberdeen	325 6.9	2,161 -4.2	3,512 -9.4
<b>Scottish Total</b>	<b>3,252 5.8</b>	<b>21,226 4.7</b>	<b>33,019 12.9</b>
<b>BAA Total</b>	<b>152,755 -1.8</b>	<b>966,439 -4.2</b>	<b>1,675,742 0.5</b>

Above data excludes Air Taxi passengers and Air Taxi movements.

\* compared to the month of October 2002

\*\* compared to the seven months April to October 2002

\*\*\* compared to the twelve months to October 2002

## Market Comparison: October 2003

<b>Market</b>	<b>BAA Total October 02 (000s)</b>	<b>BAA Total October 03 (000s)</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>Domestic</b>	2,188	2,307	5.4
<b>Eire</b>	568	560	-1.5
<b>European Scheduled</b>	4,239	4,601	8.6
<b>European Charter*</b>	1,343	1,242	-7.6
<b>North Atlantic</b>	1,522	1,538	1.0
<b>Other Long Haul</b>	1,518	1,587	4.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,378</b>	<b>11,834</b>	<b>4.0</b>

\* includes North African Charter

Note: Origins and destinations are classified according to ultimate origin or destination of aircraft in the case of multi sector flights

Note: Figures for the market sectors have been rounded. Totals as per Traffic Summary.

